

In re Stuart, E. et al.  
10/695,877

**REMARKS**

Applicant respectfully submits herewith a preliminary amendment intended to place the instant application in better condition for examination on the merits.

The reference has been made that this Application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application Ser. No. 10/101,188, filed on March 20, 2002. The supplemental Declaration and Power of Attorney is submitted herewith.

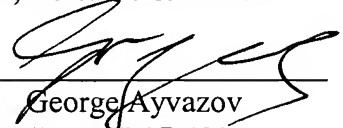
Also, the specification has been amended to better describe the Field of the Invention of the present invention. No new matter has been added.

It is respectfully submitted that claims 1-20 define the invention over the prior art of record and are in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe further discussion regarding the above claim language would expedite prosecution they are invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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